

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A coating liquid for an intermediate layer of an electrophotographic photoconductor comprising a solvent, a titanium oxide oxide, and 0.3 to 10 parts by weight a polycarboxylic acid polymer based on 100 parts by wt of titanium oxide.  
~~in a solvent.~~

Claim 2 (Original): The coating liquid for an intermediate layer of an electrophotographic photoconductor according to claim 1, wherein said polycarboxylic acid polymer is at least one selected from a saturated polycarboxylic acid polymer and an unsaturated polycarboxylic acid polymer.

Claim 3 (Canceled).

Claim 4 (Original): The coating liquid for an intermediate layer of an electrophotographic photoconductor according to claim 1, wherein an acid value of said polycarboxylic acid polymer is 100 to 400 mgKOH/g.

Claim 5 (Original): The coating liquid for an intermediate layer of an electrophotographic photoconductor according to claim 1, wherein said titanium oxide has a purity of 99.0% or higher.

Claim 6 (Original): The coating liquid for an intermediate layer of an electrophotographic photoconductor according to claim 1, further comprising a resin.

Claim 7 (Original): The coating liquid for an intermediate layer of an electrophotographic photoconductor according to claim 6, wherein the content of said titanium oxide is 300 to 800 parts by weight in respect to 100 parts by weight of said resin.

Claim 8 (Original): A method of manufacturing a coating liquid for an intermediate layer of an electrophotographic photoconductor comprising a step for mixing a solvent, a titanium oxide, and at least one of a saturated polycarboxylic acid polymer and an unsaturated polycarboxylic polymer.

Claims 9-18 (Cancelled).